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1. FARNHAM MET WITH MARY ELLEN SOLT AND HER HUSBAND IN URBANA-CHAMPAIGN APRIL 25 AND, ACCORDING TO DEAN WILSON, STRONGLY SUPPORTS HER AS REPLACEMENT FOR PROFESSOR HEDIN. SOLT HAS AGREED TO REMAIN IN POLAND FOR FULL YEAR BEGINNING THIS FALL, THEREBY RELEASING HEDIN ON SCHEDULE. FARNHAM WILL BRING HER CURRICULUM VITAE FOR SUBMISSION TO POLISH AUTHORITIES.

2. MUCIA BOARD MEETING APRIL 22 DEVOTED 20 MINUTES OF FULL AGENDA TO DISCUSSION OF ASC. RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ENCOURAGING INDIANA UNIVERSITY (IU) TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS WITH WARSAW UNIVERSITY AND AUTHORIZING USE OF MUCIA AS SOURCE OF RECRUITMENT FOR POSITIONS AT ASC, BUT IT FELL SHORT OF FULL MUCIA COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN ADMINISTRATION OF ASC/PSC AGREEMENT. WILSON VIEWS OUTCOME AS "HALFWAY HOUSE" ON ROAD TO FULL MUCIA PARTICIPATION IN RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENT WITH WARSAW UNIVERSITY AND STILL UNCLASSIFIED

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HOPES TO MOVE FURTHER TOWARD FULLER COMMITMENT BY

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER DATE POLES NOW ARE AIMING FOR (ACCORDING TO WHAT FARNHAM TOLD WILSON) IN FORMAL INAUGURATION OF ASC. WILSON SAID FARNHAM IS QUITE PLEASED WITH DESCRIBED OUT-COME OF APRIL 22 MEETING AND BELIEVES IT REPRESENTS GOOD PROGRESS TOWARD SIGNING AGREEMENT BETWEEN IU AND WU. FARNHAM IS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO CONVEY IU'S REQUEST TO WU TO NOMINATE LECTURER AND RESEARCH SCHOLAR FOR COMING ACADEMIC YEAR AT IU.

3. WE HAVE AMENDED GRANT TO INDIANA UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION TO ENABLE US ISSUE GTR FOR ADDITIONAL ROUND TRIP BY FARNHAM IN PLACE OF PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR, DEAN WILSON, WHO WILL NOT BE COMING TO WARSAW TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH WARSAW UNIVERSITY BEFORE EXPIRATION OF GRANT JULY 31. DEAN WILSON CONCURS WITH AMENDMENT.

4. WE HAVE JUST HAD TELCON WITH FARNHAM, WHO CONFIRMED THAT HE BELIEVES MRS. SOLT IS GOOD CANDIDATE FOR HEDIN POSITION AND THAT HE BELIEVES RESULT OF APRIL 22 MUCIA BOARD MEETING EVEN BETTER THAN MUCIA REPLACEMENT OF IU AS SIGNATORY OF EVENTUAL AGREEMENT WITH WU.

5. WE HAVE WIRED PREPAID TICKET ORDER TO TWA CHICAGO FOR FARNHAM DEPARTURE SUNDAY MAY 2. HE WILL ARRIVE IN WARSAW ON PA 44 AT 0855 HOURS MAY 3. SISCO

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